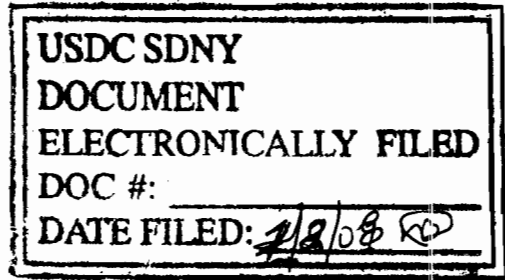


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The time for University
Press to respond to the
complaint is extended
until January 14, 2008.
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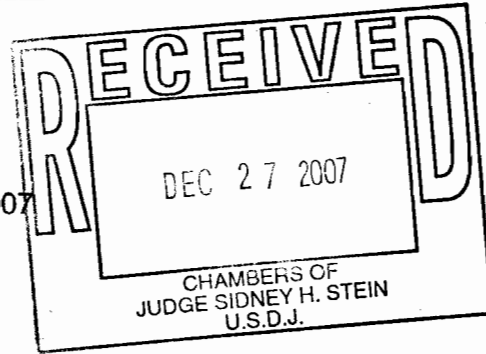


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December 27, 2007



Honorable Sidney H. Stein
United States District Judge
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse
500 Pearl Street, Room 1010
New York, NY 10007

RE: *Collins v. University Press of Mississippi and Photofest, Inc.*
Civil Case No. 07-cv-7067-SHS

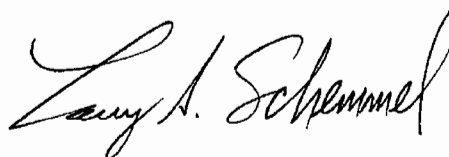
Dear Judge Stein:

I represent University Press of Mississippi ("University Press") in the above-referenced copyright matter. In a previous case management conference, you extended the date for an answer from University Press to December 28, 2007. In light of my recent admission *pro hac vice* in the Southern District of New York; a recently-signed Settlement Agreement and Release executed by both University Press and Collins on December 21, 2007, whereby the plaintiff has agreed to dismiss the Press with prejudice; a signed Stipulation of Voluntary Dismissal to be filed by plaintiff's counsel (not yet filed); and the time and procedure involved in setting us up to file a document (answer) electronically in the SDNY, we request an extension to file an answer, in order to technically not be in default, to a date you find reasonable or, in the alternative, guidance as to your preference. The SDNY clerk's office indicated local counsel could file a document (answer) electronically on our behalf or we could file a paper document with the judge's approval. However, the New York Attorney General's office representative (who assisted in the motion *pro hac vice*) cannot file it for us electronically tomorrow since they will not be in the office. Today I also left a voicemail message for your court administrator, Laura Blakely, to contact me as to your guidance and preference.

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Thank you in advance for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,



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